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HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 10TH 1909.

CHINESE indifference stood out in Hongkong yesterday in strange contrast to British anxiety. By instructions received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies all the local celebrations which had been arranged in honour of the King's birthday—the public holiday, the parade and review of troops, the official dinner, the big Ball at Government House and other minor celebrations—were all postponed till the 25th inst. because the 9th inst. had been chosen for the obsequies of the late Dowager Empress of China. Doubtless this signal expression of British friendship and sympathy is appreciated by the Chinese Government, but we cannot help contrasting this kindly solicitude with the fact that so far as the three hundred and fifty thousand Chinese who live in Hongkong are concerned, there was yesterday no outward and visible sign of mourning to be seen anywhere. When the late Emperor was buried many Chinese firms as a mark of respect closed their shops. Yesterday there was no suspension of business by the Chinese in the Colony, not even for single hour, and the theatres and other places of amusement remained open. Much of this must have been true of Canton also, for no announcements have been made of any arrangements for observing the day at Canton as a time of mourning. Some years ago the newspapers of Canton were in the habit of suspending publication on the occasion of the late

Empress Dowager's birthday, as well as on the occasion of the birthday of the Emperor, but they ceased to pay this tribute to the Dowager-Empress in her later years. The same distinction has been made in regard to the funerals of the monarchs. There were many signs of public mourning in Canton when the late Emperor was interred, but the newspapers of the Southern Capital have exhibited the utmost unconcern with regard to the arrangements for the funeral of the late Dowager Empress, and the statement has been made to us by Chinese who should know, that it is extremely doubtful whether one Chinese in a hundred in South China, outside the Yemens, knew that the great State funeral was taking place at Peking yesterday. All this adds point to the questions which the Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart proposes to ask in the Legislative Council to-morrow. We do not, of course, yet know whether it is really a fact, as suggested in the first question, that the postponement of the King's Birthday celebrations was ordered by the Secretary of State for the Colonies without any previous reference of the matter to, or consultation with, the Government of the Colony, but the semi-official statement that the postponement was in accordance with "confirmatory instructions" from the Secretary of State certainly suggests that only an affirmative reply to Mr. Stewart's first question is to be expected. "Confirmatory" instructions seem to suggest that there were original instructions, and not a request for advice. It was not more than about twelve months ago that the Unofficial Member of Council very properly protested against similar action on the part of the Secretary of State in connection with the closing of the opium divans, and it is much to be regretted that the necessity for a renewed protest has so soon arisen. The questions the Hon. Mr. Stewart proposes to ask on the subject give careful expression to sentiments which are, we believe, widely entertained in the Colony. Nobody takes up the attitude that this Colony should not under any circumstances have postponed the celebrations; the objection is principally as to the manner in which this has been done. It does not need to be stated that had there been any evidence of intention among the Chinese of the Colony, or in the neighbouring city of Canton, to make the occasion of the funeral of the late Dowager-Empress a day of mourning, the Colonial Government and the British community would have spontaneously avoided any celebration of the King's birthday which would have been out of harmony with the observance of mourning. Of that we are confident. But seeing that the occasion has been allowed to pass unobserved in any form or manner by the Chinese in the Colony—as well as, apparently, by the people of South China generally except by the officials—the contrast between British anxiety and Chinese indifference is indeed striking. Had the instructions from Downing Street been confined to the postponement of the celebrations at the Legation in Peking and in the Treaty ports of China it would have been perfectly intelligible, but the circumstances scarcely warranted the issue of instructions to the British Colony at Hongkong any more than to the Straits Settlements, where the King's Birthday, we understand, was celebrated on the due date.

A Chinese barber was knocked down by tramcar No. 30 at Teat-for-mui on Monday night and removed to hospital badly injured.

It is reported that the late Grand Councillor Chang Chih-ting only left Taels 1,800 in cash when he died, while he owed a certain bank over 30,000 taels.

On Monday morning a Chinese was found in the coolie-quarters at the south face of the Beacon Hill tunnel with his head battered in and his body severely bruised. Indications point to murder.

A native who was arrested by Sergeant Macdonald at Yau-tai was charged before Mr. E. R. Halifax at the Magistracy yesterday with returning from banishment and with larceny from 4, Stanley Terrace and 2, Sea View Terrace. Defendant pleaded guilty to two of the charges, and the hearing was adjourned.

Inspector Collett charged a native before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday, with returning from banishment and with larceny from 4, Stanley Terrace and 2, Sea View Terrace. Defendant pleaded guilty to two of the charges, and the hearing was adjourned.

Mr. A. Jackson, the advance agent of Byssack's Hippodrome Circus, has returned to Hongkong, and is arranging for the circus tent to be pitched at Causeway Bay for a series of performances before going South. We are informed that the Circus has done well in the Philippines, and with the new attractions now, in the programme the management anticipate similar success during their brief return visit to Hongkong. Mr. Abel, the veteran director of the Circus, has accompanied Mr. Jackson to Hongkong.

Lieut.-Col. C. C. Wrigley, A.O.D., Chief Ordnance Officer at Chatham, has been appointed Senior Ordnance Officer in South China.

A Spaniard named Horonate Apóstol Pascual, who is stated in the Manila papers to have been running a cinematograph show in Hongkong, is charged with attempting to smuggle 17 kilos of opium into the Philippines. He has been released on a cash bail of P. 1,000 pending the trial.

It is reported that the Korean Household will present a sum of Y. 100,000 to the family of the late Prince Ito besides making a grant of Y. 30,000 as a contribution toward the funeral expenses. At the Korean Court during his lifetime the late Prince was given the treatment of a Prince of the Blood, and the proposed allowances are said to be in consideration of this honour.

On Monday night a number of detectives in charge of Chief Detective Inspector Hanson raided 264, Queen's Road Central and 44, Bonham Strand, places alleged to be common gaming houses. The police seized a printing plant which is supposed to have been used for the printing of lottery tickets, and a number of Lukwai lottery tickets. They also arrested fourteen men and one woman, who will probably be charged at the Magistracy to-day.

The marriage of Mr. H. B. Graybill, M.A., of the Christian College, Canton, to Miss Susan T. Griggs, took place a week ago at Shanghai. Both the contracting parties are American, Miss Griggs having just arrived from the States. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Stuart in presence of a few friends, and before Mr. J. I. Vandy, representing the American Consulate-General. The bride was given away by Mr. R. W. Stafford, with whom Mr. Stafford had travelled to Shanghai. They came down from Shanghai by the Tengy Maru, which arrived at Hongkong yesterday.

A native of Tsingtao has recently invented a machine which, it is stated, is likely to revolutionise the straw-braid industry. The manipulation of the apparatus is extremely simple, and it is said that one person can turn out twelvefold more with this machine than by hand. A newspaper representative before whom experiments were made states that the manufacture, especially of the fine braids, runs very smoothly, while the cheaper and coarser grades do not seem to be so satisfactory. Machines are now being made in Germany, and if the expectations of the inventor are fulfilled, Tsingtao, it is said, may become the world's manufacturing emporium for straw braid.

A Cantonese interpreter named Chung Ming-king, employed in the office of the Dr. Williams Pink Pails Co., was charged at the Mixed Court last week at Shanghai with stealing various sums of money amounting to \$300 during the past two months, and also with forging the name of V. Davies and thereby obtaining a similar amount. It was stated in evidence that suspicions in regard to the accused were aroused by a customer writing to say that he had not received a receipt for a payment he had made. Enquiries were instituted at the Post Office and these established the guilt of the accused, who had been six years a clerk in the Hongkong Police, a teacher in the Canton Gaoli School at Shanghai, employed at the Netherlands Consulate-General and in the office of a French lawyer. He had been stealing registered letters and opening them, and by forging the name of Mr. Davies had been able to obtain payment. The prisoner confessed to having converted a sum of \$300 to his own use in this way, and was sent to prison for a year.

Lieut. James H. Stewart, Jun., while out swimming off Polino Point, near Manila, encountered a large shark. He tried to frighten it away, but the shark after a momentary disappearance rose right under him and seized him by the calf of the leg and carried the victim below. The report adds: "With the water strangling him he struggled for life against the big brute, striking it in the head with his other foot and with his fists. In this way he finally, with a supreme effort, tore himself loose, leaving the muscles of his leg in the maw of the shark. Striking out with all his might he swam to the surface and headed for the shore. The shark, satisfied with its 'pound of flesh' did not follow him. On reaching shore he was in an exhausted condition. He tore up some of his clothes and bound up his injured leg as best he could to stay the flow of blood, and then made for town to seek such medical assistance as might be at hand. All that could be done was done for him, and he was brought to the Civil Hospital at Manila, where when the last mail left he was reported to be lying in a dangerous condition."

ST. ANDREW'S BALL.

The programme for St. Andrew's Ball has now been arranged. It will be as follows:

- Extra Waltz.
- 1. Lanciers.
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- 3. Caledonians.
- 4. Waltz.
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- 6. Two Step.
- 7. Caledonians.
- 8. Strathepoy and Reel.
- 9. Waltz.
- 10. Two Step.
- 11. Waltz.
- 12. Two Step.
- 13. Waltz.
- 14. Eightosome Reel.
- 15. Polka.
- 16. Strathepoy and Reel.
- 17. Highland Schottische.
- 18. Caledonians.
- 19. Eightosome Reel.
- 20. Waltz.
- 21. Two Step.
- 22. Waltz and Galop.

TELEGRAMS.

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STRAITS ATTORNEY-GENERAL KNIGHTED.SINGAPORE, November 9th.
The Hon. Walter John Napier, Attorney-General since 1907, has been knighted on his retirement.

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GERMANY'S FOREIGN POLICY.

LONDON, November 9th.

Herr Bernstorff, the German Ambassador to Washington, addressing the Academy of Science at Philadelphia, defined Germany's foreign policy as purely commercial and without territorial ambitions. Germany was the first on the side of America on the occasion of the new departure in Chinese affairs, and proved always ready to adhere to the policy of the open door even at the expense of sacrificing some temporary advantages.

KING'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS.

LONDON, November 9th.
The King's Birthday honours have been announced.

Colonel Seely, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Admiral Sir Edward Seymour have been made Privy Councillors.

Dr. Robertson Nicol, the Editor of the "British Weekly," Lieutenant Shackleton, the Arctic explorer, and the Hon. Walter John Napier, D.C.L., recently Attorney-General in the Straits Settlements, are among those who have been knighted.

Sir Frank Swettenham, Governor of the Straits Settlements from 1901 to 1904, has received the Cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George, and the Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., Hongkong, has been made a Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

THE BUDGET.

LONDON, November 9th.
The House of Lords has formally passed the first reading of the Finance Bill.

KING MANUEL IN SPAIN.

LONDON, November 9th.
King Manuel has arrived at Madrid. He drove to the Palace accompanied by King Alfonso.

THE VETO OF THE LORDS.

LONDON, November 9th.
The House of Lords has rejected the London Elections Bill, making London a single parliamentary borough.

CANADA'S NAVAL PROGRAMME.

LONDON, November 9th.
An Ottawa message states that the Canadian Cabinet has decided that a Naval Bill shall be introduced this session providing for the construction of three second-class cruisers and four destroyers.

AUDIT OF CROWN AGENTS' ACCOUNTS.

Replies in the House of Commons to Mr. Ginnell (Westmeath, N. Nat.), Colonel Seely said:—The accounts of the office and reserve funds of the Crown Agents are audited by the Comptroller and Auditor-General under section 33 of the Exchequer and Audit Department Act, 1866. The ordinary staff of his office is employed for this purpose. A sum of £120 per annum is charged to the office fund for this audit and brought to account under Class II, Vote 14, Appropriations in Aid. The audit, like all other audits, is ordinarily based on the accounts and documents relating thereto submitted for audit. No case of any secret commission or other illicit consideration passing in connection with the transactions of the Crown Agents has come to the knowledge of the Comptroller and Auditor-General.

SIR FRANCIS MAY.

COLONIAL SECRETARY HONOURED.

The whole community will join us in congratulating the Hon. Mr. F. H. May, Colonial Secretary, on the honour which has just been conferred upon him by His Majesty King Edward. It is the only honour which has come to Hongkong in connection with the present Royal birthday, but no one will deny that it has been well bestowed, as the new knight of twenty-eight years record in the Colony is one of useful and meritorious service. Sir Francis May, K.C.M.G.—to give him his new title—is as most people know, a son of Ireland, being the fourth son of the late Hon. G. A. C. May, Lord Chief Justice of Ireland. Educated at Harrow and Trinity College, Dublin, he took his B.A. degree in 1881, and was appointed a Hongkong cadet the same year. Five years later saw him Acting Registrar General, and in 1887 he was Acting Assistant Colonial Secretary. In 1891 he obtained the appointment of Assistant Colonial Secretary, during which time he was also engaged as private secretary to H.E. the Governor, Sir W. De Veux. After acting as Colonial Treasurer he was appointed Captain Superintendent of Police in 1893, and in 1900 he became Acting Colonial Secretary, receiving the substantive appointment in 1902. Since that time he has acted on several occasions as Officer Administering the Government.

This reference would be incomplete were congratulations not also extended to Lady May, who has proved herself not only a worthy helpmate, but one who is beloved by all who have come under the influence of her genial presence.

THE NINTH OF NOVEMBER.

Yesterday the warships in the harbour half-masted the Chinese flag on the occasion of the burial of the Empress Dowager of China, but beyond that there were practically no signs of mourning. Several of the local Chinese guilds had assembled to consider what steps should be taken to mark the solemn event, but it was generally regarded that the subject had been general too late. So nothing was done.

There was no business at the Supreme Court yesterday, no cases having been fixed for the day.

By inadvertence a telegram relating to the King's birthday which appeared in our yesterday's issue was dated from London instead of Shanghai.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE "WHITE SLAVE" TRAFFIC.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir.—I gather from the columns of the "Daily Press" that the Hongkong Police have at last taken measures to put a stop to the public solicitation by European prostitutes in the principal streets of our city. This is indeed a step in the right direction, but until something of a more drastic character has been introduced for the suppression of this shameful traffic Hongkong will ever be the dumping ground of the unfortunate demi-monde who has incurred the displeasure of the authorities of other Far Eastern ports. The fair fame of Hongkong is being badly marred by these night owls. Even the principal hotels, doubtless quite innocently, are not immune, and it is a matter for regret that in a place like Hongkong, where legitimate amusement is scarce enough in all conscience, respectable people in their desire for a little relaxation cannot visit a cinematograph exhibition without having to rub shoulders with these dregs of humanity. The writer is not a prude. Indeed to some extent he sympathises with these weaker vessels; but *nunquam potes non esse virtutis locus*. Other British communities have been able to a great extent to solve the difficulty, and the writer commends to the serious attention of the Hongkong authorities the measures adopted by Bombay, Calcutta, Rangoon and Singapore. There the unfortunate sisterhood is, to all intents and purposes, segregated and confined to a certain district, and punishment is meted out to those who, in defiance of the law, solicit in the streets. Surely a similar mode of procedure might be introduced into Hongkong, where the writer has reason to know that hitherto not only Europeans but Chinese have been subjected to the solicitations of these unfortunate women; mental obliquity constitutes a danger and a disgrace. Even China controls such matters differently, and for the good name and fair fame of England's principal Far Eastern possession it is surely time that strenuous efforts be put forth to rid Hongkong of the stigma of openly countenancing a practice that renders our principal thoroughfares impossible to respectable British matrons.

AMICUS HUMANI GENERIS.

[Other letters of similar purport have been received.—Ed.]

CRICKET.

The match arranged to have taken place yesterday between the Hongkong Club and the United Services was not played.

INTERNATIONAL LAW ON BILLS OF EXCHANGE.

At the sitting of the Royal Commission on International Private Law, at The Hague on the 16th ult., M. Assen, the president, stated that the projected conference to draw up international regulations regarding bills of exchange would probably meet at The Hague in June 1910. Thirty-one States had already promised to take part in it, but in the case of 14 no reply had yet been received. The circular letter sent out by the Dutch Government to the other Powers had been favourably received, and was unanimously considered to be an excellent basis for the work of the conference.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

6th November.

DELIBERATIVE COUNCIL'S OFFICES.
The grand building which is to be the office and meeting place of the Deliberative Council is in course of construction just outside the East Gate. The land opposite to the site is owned by a Mandarin, who has begun to erect some small houses thereon, thus detracting from the dignity of the Council's building. The members of Council appealed to the Tartar General, and the offending Mandarin has been ordered to cease his building operations and to remove the materials without delay. It has been further suggested to the owner that the Government would think him a very generous person if he were to present the land to the authorities.

PRISON OUTBREAK.

Some time ago there was an outbreak among the criminals confined in the Shun Tak Prison. A large number escaped and terrorised the neighbourhood. The authorities have, however, been successful in re-capturing nearly all these rascals. The gaolers of the prison were taken to Canton for trial and found guilty of gross negligence. They were sentenced to two years' imprisonment and the case was reported to the Viceroy. The Viceroy questioned the Provincial Judge as to whether he considered that there was any other cause for the outbreak beyond the carelessness of the warders, but the Judge considered the blame to be due to that cause only. The offending gaolers have been condemned to serve their time in the very prison of which they formerly had charge.

SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday at the Board Room. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe presided, and there were present: Hon. Mr. F. N. H. Jones (Vice-President) Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, Hon. Mr. A. W. Brewin (Registrar-General), Colonel Bedford, R.A.M.C., Mr. Shelton Hooper, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Dr. F. Clark (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. Pearce (A.M.O.H.) and Mr. W. Bowen Rowlands (Secretary).

THE COLONIAL CEMETERY.

A temporary map of the Colonial Cemetery was forwarded to the Board with the explanation that it was not advisable to prepare a new map until the Board had indicated the various sections for old residents, etc.

Mr. SHELTON HOOPER moved—I think the Government should be asked to send the Board the plan of the Cemetery showing the area it is proposed to dedicate, for any observations the Board may wish to make.

Hon. Mr. HEWETT—I altogether object to

the division made between residents, seven years' residents, and twenty years' residents. We are all equal when in the cemetery.

The PRESIDENT said he made a mistake when he said there was no map of the Colonial Cemetery. When he looked up the papers he found a map which was serving the purpose of a map of the Colonial Cemetery until such time as the new Ordinance was passed.

In reply to Mr. Hooper's remarks, he wished to point out that he had been given to understand the whole of the cemetery, exclusive of the Japanese portion, was to be dedicated. The Bill was already in the committee stage before the Legislative Council, but if there was any serious point to which the Board wished to draw attention they could apply to have the matter stopped in order that members could discuss it.

Mr. HOOPER said he had no wish whatever to stop the legislation, but a fortnight ago he asked for the information and the meeting of the Council would be held to-morrow. The President had just informed members that the whole cemetery, with the exception of the Japanese portion, was dedicated, but the speaker did not know what that meant.

Where the Japanese were buried inter-spaces were occupied by Europeans. He had no wish to delay the legislation because he thought it was really necessary that it should go through, as it had been hanging on for a long time. But as the Government had not consulted the Board in the matter, and as the President had got the assurance from the Government that only the Japanese portion was to be excluded, he would like to call the attention of the Government to the remarks he had just made and ask them what they proposed to do where Japanese were intermingled with Europeans.

The PRESIDENT said the map took in, as far as he had seen, the whole of the hillside where the Japanese were buried. He was not aware that Europeans and Japanese were buried together. Mr. HOOPER asked if members could see the map.

When the map was produced Mr. HOOPER said it was impossible to follow it, as it was useless for the purpose for which it was wanted. The discussion then ended.

MONUMENTS IN THE CEMETERY.

An application was submitted for two grave spaces in the old residents' section of the Colonial Cemetery for the purpose of erecting a monument thereon.

Mr. LAU CHU PAK minuted—I don't see any reason why this should not be granted.

The PRESIDENT said the application was made by the relatives of the late Mr. Choo Leep Chee for two grave spaces—one on either side of the grave—on which to erect a monument. The matter was already adjourned from the last meeting. Mr. Choo Leep Chee was not buried in the old residents' section, but in the ordinary section where burials took place at present.

Mr. HOOPER moved that the application be not granted. He did because the question of reserving spaces in the Colonial Cemetery had been fully thrashed out within the last four or five months when the Board came to the conclusion that they had no power to sell grave spaces unless they were to be occupied immediately; that was to say, no one could be granted a grave space for the burial of a person who was living to day. If that were illegal, surely it would be illegal to allow people to reserve two spaces simply for the purpose of erecting a monument over one grave. Were that application granted, the applicants would be in possession of two unoccupied grave spaces, and there being no sanitary objection any of their relatives would be entitled to be buried there. At the time the speaker pointed out that when a person was buried in a certain area, there might be applications made later by relatives for burials to be made side by side if there was grave space, and he suggested that that might be allowed. But to erect monuments which would interfere with the intervening spaces was illegal, and he could not see, unless the Board wished to

satisfy itself how they could grant the present

application. He would ask the Board to seriously consider whether, having only six or seven hundred spaces in that cemetery, they should deprive themselves of grave spaces.

Hon. Mr. HEWETT seconded the proposal on the ground principally that spaces in the Colonial Cemetery were very limited, and he did not think any necessity had been shown why this particular family should be allowed three grave spaces for only one body.

The REGISTRAR-GENERAL—I don't think we have power to grant this request.

The PRESIDENT—I am afraid not, after having

refused in the recent case of a captain to grant spaces to be allotted to those who are living at present.

HOME AND CHINA AFFAIRS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, October 20th.

MR. DYER BALL.

Mr. J. Dyer Ball, who retired on pension from Hongkong about two years ago, has been devoting himself to literary work ever since. He has taken up his residence on the northern outskirts of London. I understand that he has completed the manuscript of another book on China, and it is to be hoped he will soon find a publisher for it. No one has a more intimate knowledge of certain phases of Chinese life and character than Mr. Ball, and provided his book is published at an opportune moment, when public interest has been aroused in Chinese affairs, it ought to have a ready sale. Perhaps the measure China is taking to create a constitutional system will provide this opportunity. It is a pity Mr. Ball's services are not utilized for the teaching of Chinese at home of the leading seats of learning in this country.

It is interesting to note that Mr. A. D. Ball, Mr. Dyer Ball's eldest son, who represented his University (Oxford) last season on going up from Mill Hill School as a Freshman, this year captains Oxford's Hockey team. He is destined, I believe, for the Civil Service, and should he be successful in his examinations will probably elect to serve in India.

THE CHINESE AFFAIRS.

The breakdown of the arrangement whereby President Taft planned to establish a "business man" in the diplomatic position of Minister to China has given amusement to many on this side of the Atlantic who have had dealings with unconventional American representatives abroad. There is sympathy, too, for Mr. Crane, who, accustomed to the business life of Chicago, where publicity is the very breath of enterprise, took the President at his word when he told him to make his advocacy of China "red hot," and forthwith went out and made speeches giving frank warnings to Japan that she had about reached her limit of aggression. The whole situation is very American, for nowhere else than in that country could public men be got to talk for publication with such unconcern for the future, or such ignorance of the train of events that might be set in motion by unguarded statements. On this side we have had many funny experiences with similar men. Every capital in Europe treasures stories of American "diplomats" and their free and easy ways. I have personally met some of them whose social sayings and doings would make a laughable book, but one example will suffice. A newly-appointed Minister to Holland called on the Queen-Mother, who was Regent at that time. Making himself quite at home he presently began to survey the pictures on the walls and pointing to one of Queen Wilhelmina, he said, "Your little girl, I suppose, ma'am?"

The Queen Mother replied in the affirmative, whereupon the Minister ruffled the Court circle by remarking, "Well, I must say, she's a mighty fine child."

THE COMING GENERAL ELECTION.

The advance of the General Election and the conflicts that are incidentally arising as to naval and other lines of policy are giving rise to rumours without end. One of them was to the effect that Mr. Lloyd George was about to resign the Chancellorship of the Exchequer; another that Sir John Fisher was about to retire from the Admiralty. In both cases, doubtless, the wish was father to the thought, but denials were speedily forthcoming. Some of the friends of the First Naval Lord are anxious that he should lay aside his armour and take a peacock, but I hear that when he does give up office he is more likely to stand for the House of Commons as a Liberal candidate in some country constituency.

THE NEW ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION.

Our Antarctic expedition under Captain Scott has been advanced a stage by the meeting at the Mansion House, at which it was explained that for the equipment and despatch of the expedition £40,000 was necessary. Captain Scott pointed out that the Discovery expedition cost £92,000, but of this sum £25,000 was expended on building the ship, the balance

keeping the expedition going for three and a quarter years. In this new expedition he believed they would need to spend £12,000 of their £40,000 on purchasing a ship and the same would cover one year's work, but with the co-operation of the dominions overseas he hoped it would be possible to carry on the work for a second and, if necessary, a third season.

How many people are housed nightly in the quarters which the Contractor is allowed to maintain there, and what rent, if any, does he draw from their occupation? Are all the people housed there engaged in work on the Post Office?

And are we to understand that, the public may be asked to put up with the nuisance created by the condition of the plot in question for the year or more during which the Post Office will be in course of construction?

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The orders of the day are as follows:

Third reading of the Bill entitled "An Orderance to set apart certain Crown Land to be used as a burial ground for persons professing the Christian Religion."

Committee on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Law relating to Trade Marks."

Committee on the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to authorize the Construction and Maintenance of a Harbour of Refuge upon and over certain portions of the Sea Bed and Foreshore situated upon the Harbour frontage at Tsimshau Tsui, Mongkokteni, and Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon, in this Colony."

Second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Tramway Ordinance, 1902."

Second reading of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Liquor Licences Ordinance, 1903" and to repeal the Liquor Licences Amendment Ordinance, 1902.

* Will not be proceeded with at this meeting.

that nine per cent. of the carcasses were affected by tuberculosis.

AMERICAN DUTIES.

I hear that the United Cigar Company of America has shipped a million cigars back to the Philippines so that they may be sent direct to San Francisco again, and so escape the duty. On the last trip they were re-shipped at Hongkong and so came within the maw of the American tax collectors. By this long method of travel the company will have a very big freight bill to pay, but it will even then amount to less than the duty. But how about the damage by sea air and close hold which have a deleterious effect on cigars as the atmosphere of a steamer has on tea? You cannot in this country now get tea like you could in the good old days of the sailing clippers.

Another fine example of how the American taxes work is afforded by the case of P. R. Chance, a millionaire of Honolulu. He had to take a foreign vessel at Honolulu to reach America, where his mother was dying. He had therefore to pay a penalty to the Japanese shipping company of four hundred dollars. He applied to the Washington authorities for a rebate of the amount, and sent in support a confirmatory statement of the Consul at Honolulu as to the reason for taking a foreign ship. Washington agreed to the rebate, till a collector at San Francisco found that the millionaire stayed a day or two at San Francisco before going on to the residence of his mother—he had received reassuring news meanwhile—and the Government therupon declined to allow the rebate.

RUSSIA AND THE EASTERN CHINA RAILWAY.

The heavy drain of the Eastern China railway upon the Russian finances had led the Government to dispatch M. Kokovtseff, Minister of Finance, to the Far East to inquire into the working of the line with a view to reforming the organisation. Russians are disinclined to lay out any more money on the road, as they are convinced it will, sooner or later, fall into the hands of the Chinese.

COTTON GROWING IN THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

A fresh effort is being made to encourage the growing of cotton within the British Empire. Cotton spinners do not regard America as a sure source of supply any longer, for there is such rapid development of population and demand for cotton fabrics in the United States that Lancashire factories have often to work short time. Already about 30,000 bales of cotton are being grown annually in the British Empire, but that is too small an amount to influence the American market or even to impress Lancashire with the fact of new sources of supply. It will not be till the bales are counted by millions instead of thousands that the British cotton spinner can feel himself free from the effects of American speculators. The British Cotton Growing Association is therefore seeking more capital, and Sir Alfred Jones, of Elder, Dempster and Co., has taken the lead by offering to subscribe £25,000 if another £150,000 is subscribed within six months. The Association has up to now spent just about £160,000 and has produced cotton of the value of two millions sterling. The enterprise has a considerable interest for the Far East in view of the coming keenness in competition between Lancashire and American manufactured cotton goods.

DISTRESS IN LONDON.

Some idea of the amount of distress which is existing in London among the labouring classes at present may be gathered from a return just presented to the London County Council. In the last week of September of last year the free meals given to children under the educational authority numbered 5,612, whereas the same week this year brought the total to the enormous figure of 26,969, in spite of the fact that the regulations as to the distribution of meals are more strict this year than last. That they are not carried out strictly there has been plenty evidence, but still the situation is growing steadily worse and more adults as well as children will have to be maintained by the public this winter.

A GRANDSON OF ROBERT BURNS.

Lovers of Burns the world over will be interested to hear that his grandson has been found working in London as a maker of tea urns. He is William Pyrke, aged sixty-eight, and his mother was the only daughter of Burns' eldest son. He has worked for forty years in the same firm, but the trade is a decaying one and he looks forward to the time when he can at last claim an old age pension. There is talk of a public fund by which Burns' readers will make the last days of the poet's grandson bright, as an acknowledgment of the pleasure they themselves have derived from the works of the famous bard. At present the only entertainment of William Pyrke comes once a year, when he goes to the Burns Night at the Albert Hall.

THE CHINESE COIFFURE.

PROPOSED ABOLITION OF THE QUILLE.

EARLY THIS MONTH Prince Tsai Tao memorialized the Prince Regent that the queue should be done away with on the ground that it has many disadvantages and is detrimental to health; the case of Japan being cited in support of His Highness' argument. He further urged that to do away with the queue would give the people a much smarter appearance and would be carrying out the wishes of the late Emperor, who was only prevented from taking this step by the unfavourable circumstances then prevailing. The Prince Regent, however, thinks that the time is not ripe for the change, as the people are not sufficiently educated to stand this abolition of a most ancient custom. He therefore declines to adopt the idea of his Imperial brother. The latter has now appealed to the Prince Regent's mother, saying that if the Chinese had not their coiffure changed China could never be powerful. Her Imperial Highness has personally instructed the Regent to carry the proposal into effect and in deference to his mother's wishes His Imperial Highness consented to the decree, after the funeral of the late Empress Dowager, that all soldiers and policemen shall have their hair shaved off and that other classes of people shall adopt the new mode later on. Prince Tsai Tao was not content with this and again strongly urged his brother to carry out his proposal. Eventually the Prince Regent's mother, saying that if the Chinese must cut off their queues in the 2nd year of Huan Tung.

Viceroy Tuan Fang is said to be strongly supporting Prince Tsai Tao in his representations.—*Shanghai Times*.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:

On the 8th at 5.50 p.m.—Red South Cone hoisted.

On the 9th at 12.10 p.m.—The barometer has risen moderately in Luzon, and fallen slightly to moderately over the S. coast of China and Annam respectively.

The typhoon appears to be situated to the N.E. of the Paracels and to be moving towards W.N.W.

Pressure has increased over Japan and the N.E. coast of China, and given way over the East and in Vladivostok.

The high-pressure area lies now to the E. of Japan, and a "low" area appears to be situated over E. Manchuria.

Bad weather may be expected over the N.W. part of the China sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:

Hongkong & Neighbourhood (*) { N.E. winds, Formosa Channel { fresh, South east of China between Hongkong and Lantau. { Same as No. 1, Hongkong and Lantau. { N.E. gale, South east of China between Hongkong and Hainan. { N.E. and E. winds, strong breezes to a moderate gale; cloudy, squally.

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Mr. Buxey's black Little Gem Essex 152 lb (Mr. Burkhill) 3

Mr. MacWatt's grey Russel 158 lb ... (Mr. Cumming) 0

Mr. MacWatt's grey Kingsclere 161 lb (Mr. Vida) 0

Mr. Dick Turpin's bay Vespaian 155 lb (Mr. Springfield) 0

Mr. Bellinus' chestnut Fabulus 158 lb (Mr. Lawrence) 0

Mr. Fash's grey Marbles 161 lb (Mr. Alderton) 0

Mr. Paignton's chestnut Oscar 158 lb (Mr. Rose) 0

Mr. Henry Morris' grey Hawkeye 152 lb (Mr. Dupre) 0

Mr. John Peel's bay Kirkpatrick 165 lb (Mr. Johnstone) 0

Mr. Fen's roan Millpatton 152 lb (Mr. Schorr) 0

The paddocks and stands were crowded when the candidates for championship honours went out and cantered up the course. The number of starters was twelve, and the keenest enthusiasm was displayed in the race. Little Gem Rose was the popular favourite, and it was confidently expected by many that Mr. Buxey's stable would win first and second places. Mr. Simcock had two ponies qualified and Sagittarius carried first colours. All the ponies that faced

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DAVID WOOD,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1909. [1174]

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NOTICES OF FIRMS

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PERCY SMITH & SETH.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership heretofore existing between MR. L. M. J. ALVARES and Mr. J. M. ALVES and carried on under the style of "L. M. ALVARES & Co." was, by an Order of the Supreme Court of Hongkong, made on the 23rd day of October, 1909, dissolved as from that Date, and the Undersigned was appointed Receiver for the purpose of winding up the business of the said partnership.

H. PERCY SMITH, F.C.A.

Receiver of L. M. ALVARES & Co.

In Voluntary Dissolution.

5, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1909. [1365]

NOTICE.

THE Firm of "L. M. ALVARES & Co." having been dissolved and my responsibility in respect of the said Firm having CEASED as from the 23rd day of October, 1909, except so far as may be necessary to wind up the affairs thereof.

I have This Day established myself as a General Merchant and Commission Agent under the Firm Name of "J. M. ALVES & Co." and my Office will be temporarily at No. 6, Des Vœux Road Central.

JOSE M. ALVES.

Hongkong, 3rd November, 1909. [1366]

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Hongkong, 20th August, 1909. [137]

AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY.

Mr. Taft had not been long in the White House, writes the *Times*, New York correspondent, before he made it clear that the position of the United States abroad was to be a matter of the first consideration with him. No one was more emphatic on this point than his predecessor, Mr. Roosevelt; but Mr. Roosevelt was largely occupied in the preliminary work of educating public opinion and making the American people realize that they could not continue to dwell in splendid isolation from the rest of the world. It remained for Mr. Taft to lead the march along the road thus prepared, and he is setting a most energetic pace.

MR. TAFT AND THE FAR EAST.

Unlike other Presidents, Mr. Taft came into office with a personal knowledge of foreign peoples and affairs. He had lived in the Philippines for three years as Governor of the islands; he had had charge of the Panama Canal for four years and visited the isthmus more than once; he had been to Cuba to create order out of disorder—in the insurrection of 1906, he had been sent to Rome to negotiate with Pope Leo XIII. the purchase of agricultural lands belonging to religious orders in the Philippines; and he had, a year before his election, paid a visit to Japan and China and returned home by way of Siberia and Europe. He was known as "the travelling member" of the Roosevelt Cabinet, and he certainly earned the title.

Success attended all his missions; troubles seemed to vanish before his genial smile and whole-hearted, friendly manner. He was giving much all the time, but he gained more—a valuable insight into *World politics*, which was an unknown word to Americans until very recently. Thus equipped he entered the White House.

Mr. Taft's methods are not spectacular. Hence there was no declaration of foreign policy, no pronouncements that the Administration intended to blaze a path for commerce in the Far East or South America. The first intimation that China was constantly in Mr. Taft's mind came indirectly through the Washington correspondents, who told us of the importance which the President attached to the Peking Legation and his painstaking search for a man of business to succeed Mr. Rockhill. Mr. Rockhill had distinguished himself at Peking as a diplomatist, and his transferance to St. Petersburg caused some surprise until it was learned what Mr. Taft's aims were. Almost simultaneously with the appointment of Mr. Crane, the head of a great manufacturing concern in Chicago, came the American demand for a share in the Szechuan Railway Loan with all its long sequel of negotiations. The American Press quickly realized that here was an international affair involving national rights. There was a manful endeavour to acquaint the American public with all niceties of diplomacy and intricacies of railway concessions in the Celestial Empire. "The American dollar with the American man behind it and the American Government behind both" became the slogan of the new campaign. The Administration was convinced of the great political and commercial country, seized the moment for action, and wisely made the bankers of Wall-street play the game, which was at once in its own and their own interest.

In the attempt to show forth the United States as the sole sincere friend of China it was easy to confuse all the other Powers concerned and throw suspicion on all their motives. That was certainly not the Administration's idea. The Administration entered the field with perfectly clean hands and in the enjoyment of a full measure of Chinese confidence on account of its repayment of a good part of the Boxer indemnity. It was and is, therefore, in an exceptionally strong position, and naturally it is utilizing and will utilize its advantages to the full. Your Special Correspondent who lately visited the Far East has shown why Great Britain has every reason to be glad of American intervention in Chinese affairs, and it is safe to say that this Government relies on British co-operation in a policy whose aim is to help China to develop her resources in a way beneficial alike to herself and her helpers.

MR. CRANE ON CHINA.

No sooner was Mr. Crane appointed to the United States Legation in Peking than he began to outline the Administration's reasons for energetic action in the Middle Kingdom. Speaking to the American Asiatic Association at a farewell dinner given to him here some weeks ago he quoted Mr. Taft's speech at Shanghai in 1907 to the effect that the United States does not covet China's territory nor grade her prosperity nor resent her independence and power, and he added in a passage which deserves to be quoted in full:

"With our Western country filling up with a fine, strong body of men, which our extensive shore-line on the Pacific, and our powers of production calling for outside markets, we are singularly fortunate at this moment to have at the head of our Government one who understands so well the conditions existing around the Pacific, one who has so profound a sympathy for the people, struggling up toward the light, and in whom the two peoples have so much confidence.

We believe that although China has great problems to solve, such as the administrative problem, the opium problem, the currency problem, and the revenue problem, she is perfectly capable of solving them alone if she can be kept free from menace, and we also believe that if she increases in prosperity she will make a better market than if she deteriorates. Of course, in this development she will require much foreign material, and in a perfectly legitimate and friendly way."

Secretary Knox has determined that we shall

have our share. When I was in China some

thirty years ago the foreign business was largely

in the hands of some fine old American houses.

They have not prospered much in recent years,

but with the new outlook and the new interest

we have there, I hope to see them get back to

the former dominating position.

"There is no mystery or secret about my mission to the East. I go there under the simplest form of instructions from the President and from the Secretary of State to carry out the spirit of the Shanghai speech, and with a profound respect for and great confidence in the Chinese people, a great desire to serve well the people who send me so far, and pride in the spirit of the programme to be carried out. Whatever is for the prosperity and benefit of the Chinese is the best thing for us."

In all this there is nothing at variance with British policy. Experience may be relied upon to correct the view that China can solve her tremendous problems without outside aid.

Observers have already pointed out here that the Imperial Customs Service is the only department of the Chinese Government which can claim efficiency, and that this efficiency is due to Sir Robert Hart and his able fellow-workers.

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Hongkong, 12th August, 1909. [1064]

DWELLING OF THE VOID.

TERRIBLE ADVENTURES OF ENGLISH EXPLORERS.

Early in the summer a few details reached England of the experiences of a British expedition which was turned out of Southern Arabia. These details were contained in a letter from Mr. G. W. Bury, the leader of the expedition. Mr. Bury has not yet returned to England, but his companion, Mr. P. E. L. Getthin, gives (says Reuters) the first personal account of the undertaking.

The object of our party, said Mr. Getthin, which comprised Mr. G. W. Bury and myself, was to penetrate into the unknown part of Southern Arabia known as the "Dwelling of the Void." The region is absolutely unknown to modern geographers, none of whom has succeeded in penetrating its mysteries. We were anxious to reach the buried cities in the interior, although the principal object of the journey was to make natural history collections.

When we arrived at the little fishing village of Irka we sent our orderly Sarab ashore with a letter to the chief, who came out to us. Instead of really helping us he was conspiring with the interior chief of Haurs to get us partly up into the desert and leave us stranded.

Eventually we got away from Irka with an escort of fifteen men and eight camels. We were both armed and wore turbans, as the people there declare that Christians only wear hats to hide their horns. On the following day the chief of Haurs sent a messenger with a letter to say that he would not receive us at any price. Our whole caravan stopped, our boxes were dumped in the open desert, and we found what shelter we could under one tree. We got out camp into a state of defence and took it in turns to snaffle a little sleep.

The chief of Haurs proved most unfriendly. He would not send us out food, and set a guard over us. Fortunately we had a few biscuits with us, but this was practically all we had for the week we were stranded in the desert.

We were absolutely in the power of the Arabs, and to have attempted a show of force would have been fatal. Every now and again the Arabs fired pot shots at us for amusement, but never hit us, although they struck one tree under which we sat. After five anxious days

had passed the chief of Haurs sent a final letter declining to find us an order and ordering us to leave his country within three hours.

The three of us were very weak, having lived mainly on jam and biscuits and the prospect of a flight of thirty-five miles to the coast was not a pleasant one. We had, of course, to discard our baggage, for our escort deserted.

I tore out the few written pages of my diary, we concealed the two chronometers under our clothes, and with a certain amount of ammunition were prepared to bolt, our intention being to get away in the middle of the night, when our guards would probably be asleep. We regarded it as almost certain that we should be attacked and murdered before we were able to go far.

We did not get away that night, and to our surprise on the following morning the local pundits came out from the town to re-open negotiations. The chief now demanded all our money, in return for which he would provide us with an escort and camels. Keeping only a few dollars we handed over the money, and in the evening twenty-seven camels arrived. Some shots were fired at us at intervals, but no damage was done. Having loaded our camels we started on our return to the coast.

The journey was terribly hot, and we were

very weak, but we had to make forced marches,

and only snatched three hours sleep. We were

absolutely done up when we eventually reached

the coast at our original starting place. A

day put in, and in two days took us to Aden.

PRINCESS ASKS FOR A LOAN.

UNABLE TO LIVE ON HER PRESENT INCOME.

Princess Louise of Belgium, the daughter of King Leopold and the divorced wife of Prince Philip of Coburg, who has been in financial difficulties for some time, is making strenuous efforts to raise loans of money.

The following is a copy of a letter recently received by the Banking Bank:

"I beg to inquire whether your bank would

be prepared to grant a loan on the security

of an inheritance exceeding £50,000. It

may be mentioned that the person from whom

this property will be inherited is still living,

and he is seventy-six years of age, and that

he cannot disinherit the recipient of the loan

because the law of his country prevents him

from doing so.

Having received a reply to the effect that

negotiations could be begun, the bank received

another letter as follows:

"In reply to your letter of September 12, I

beg to inform you that Princess Louise of

Belgium desires to raise this loan by pledging

a portion of her father's inheritance. The

Princess now has a yearly income of about

£7,000. She is now seeking a loan which will enable

her to live in style according to her rank

until the death of the King of Belgium,

who is now seventy-six years old.

With this letter was enclosed a statement of

a Belgian lawyer that it will be legally impossible

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Hongkong, 5th November, 1909.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SWATOW, AMOY and SHANGHAI	TIENTSIN	On 10th Nov., Noon.
NEWCHENG	NANCHANG	On 10th Nov., 4 P.M.
THIENHUA	KUEICHOW	On 10th Nov., 10 A.M.
HOIHOW, PAKHOU and HAIPHONG	SINGAN	On 11th Nov., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINHUA	On 11th Nov., 4 P.M.
CEBU and ILIO	KAIFONG	On 12th Nov., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	On 14th Nov., D'light
MANILA	TAMING	On 16th Nov., 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	ANHUI	On 18th Nov., 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIEN'S TOWNS, VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE and PERTH	LINAN	On 21st Nov., D'light.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
TIENTSIN via WEIHAIWEI & CHIPOO	CHONGSHING	Thursday, 11th Nov., 11 A.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	Friday, 12th Nov., 2 P.M.
MANILA	LOONGSAM	Friday, 12th Nov., 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	CHOYSANG	Sunday, 14th Nov., D'light
MANILA	KUHSANG	Wednesday, 16th Nov., 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	NAMSANG	Friday, 19th Nov., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	YUENSANG	Friday, 26th Nov., 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	YUENSANG	Friday, 30th Nov., 3 P.M.

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"HAICHEUNG," Capt. W. C. Passmore	SWATOW, AMOY and FOOCHEW	TUESDAY, 16th Nov., at 10 A.M.

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S.S. SENEGAMBIA	S.S. SILVIA	25th Nov.
S.S. SITHONIA	S.S. ERISGAVIA	30th Nov.
S.S. SCANDIA	S.S. SILESIA	15th Dec.
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TJILIWONG	JAPAN	First half of Dec.	JAVA	First half of Dec.
TJIKINI	JAVA	First half of Dec.	JAPAN	First half of Dec.
TJIPANAS	JAVA	Second half of Dec.	SHANGHAI	Second half of Dec.
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The *Asiatic*, with the French and English mails of the 8th and 15th ult., left Singapore on Saturday, the 6th inst., at 8.30 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at noon. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 4th and 14th September, and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all-sea route on the 6th ult., and for despatch overland on the 13th ultime.

FOR	PR2	DATE
Singapore	Hainan	Wednesday, 10th, 9 A.M.
Singapore, Port Darwin, Thursday 1st, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Dunedin, Perth and Fremantle	Aldenham	Wednesday, 10th, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Amoy and Shanghai	Tienhsin	Wednesday, 10th, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Ching-tau	Wednesday, 10th, 11.5 P.M.
Newchwang	Nanchang	Wednesday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Tibetan Maru	Kiaochow	Wednesday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai and Mo	Yehooh Maru	Wednesday, 10th, 4.00 P.M.
Amoy, Straits and Bangkok	Tonghong	Wednesday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Amoy, Foochow and Shanghai	Chinchuan Maru	Thursday, 11th, 9.00 A.M.
Holloway, Fakhoi and Tachoung	Singan	Thursday, 11th, 9.00 A.M.
Wuhawei, Chafao and Tientsin	Uchongshing	Thursday, 11th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Utopia	Thursday, 11th, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Sai-Tai	Thursday, 11th, 11.15 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Chinkiang	Friday, 12th, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	Amisan	Friday, 12th, 1.15 P.M.
Cebu and Illico	Hetsinghan	Friday, 12th, 2.00 P.M.
Manila	Katong	Friday, 12th, 3.00 P.M.
	Lomgong	Friday, 12th, 3.00 P.M.

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Auction, Beer, Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, Mr. Geo. P. Lamont, 11 a.m.

COMMERCIAL.

EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

November 9th.

ON LONDON	Telegraphic Transfer	183
Bank Bills, on demand	183	
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	183	
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	183	
Bills, at 4 months' sight	183	
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	183	
ON PARIS		
Bank Bills, on demand	219	
Credits, at 4 months' sight	223	
ON GERMANY		
On demand	1772	
ON NEW YORK		
Bank Bills, on demand	421	
Credits, at 60 days' sight	438	
ON BONNAY		
The Bonn Line str. <i>Benlondon</i> left Singapore for Hongkong on the 5th instant, and may be expected here to-morrow.	1293	
Telegraphic Transfer	1293	
Bank, on demand	1293	
ON CALCUTTA		
Telegraphic Transfer	1293	
Bank, on demand	1293	
ON SHANGHAI		
Bank, at sight	743	
Private, 30 days' sight	753	
ON YOKOHAMA		
On demand	843	
ON MANILA		
On demand—Peso 834		
ON SINGAPORE		
On demand	74	
ON BATAVIA		
On demand	1042	
ON HAIPHONG		
On demand	74	per cent.
ON SAIGON		
On demand	74	per cent.
ON BANGKOK		
Bank's Buying Rate	883	
Sovereign, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.50	
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael	\$60.30	
Bar Silver, per oz.	238	

SUBSIDARY COINS.

	per cent.
Chinese ... 20 cents pieces	85.96 discount
Chinese ... 10 " " 86.48 "	
Hongkong ... 20 " " 85.74 "	
Hongkong ... 10 " " 85.96 "	

OPIUM.

November 9th.

Quotations are:—	
Malwa New ...	\$1,250/1,280 per picul.
Malwa Old ...	\$1,290/1,330 "
Malwa Older ...	\$1,340/1,370 "
Malwa V. Old ...	\$1,380/1,420 "
Persian fine quality ...	\$1,050/1,100 "
Persian extra fine ...	\$1,200/1,250 "
Patna New ...	\$1,610 per chest.
Patna Old ...	\$1,600 "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The P. & O. str. *Asiatic* left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst., at 8.30 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow or about the 12th inst.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.
The I.G. str. *Prins Waldemar* left Tap on the 6th inst., at 9 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 12th inst.

THE C.N. Co.'s str. *Taiguan* left Sydney on the 30th ult., and is due here on the 24th inst.

The E. & A. str. *Empire* from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 3rd inst., for Manila, and the part.

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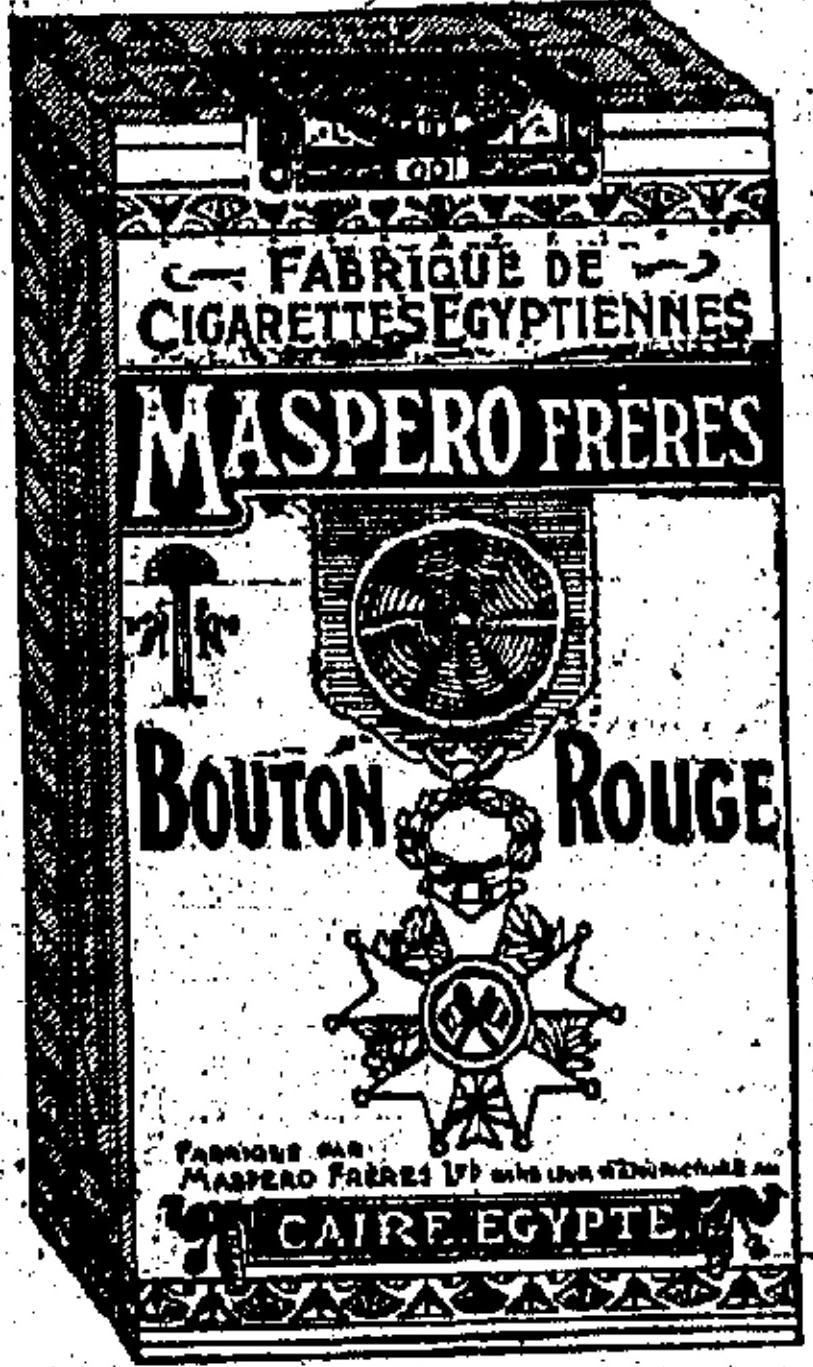
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SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 9TH, 1909.

STOCKS	NO. OF SHARES	VALUE	PAID UP	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$995, sellers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	26	265
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$10, buyers
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$124, sellers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$86, sales
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$95, sales
COTTON MILLS				
Ewe Cotton Spinn. & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 149.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$66, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 91.
Ixon-Kung-Mhw. & Spin. & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 111.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 460.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$78	\$6	\$162, sellers
DOCKS AND WHARVES				
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$66, sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$55, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$63	\$63	\$97, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 137.
Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 139.
Kenwick & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$11, sellers
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$210, buyers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$210, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$200, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$75, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$180, sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$22, sellers
INSURANCES				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1624, sellers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	